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## Product Advisory Notice

3M Personal Safety Division is notifying our distributors and end users of the following information related to certain self-contained breathing apparatuses (“SCBA”) and related components, that were sold in Washington in the July 2018 to November 2022 timeframe, depending on the product.

**Please carefully review (i) the below “Product Advisory Notice,” (ii) the attached list of products covered by this Product Advisory Notice (Attachment 1); (iii) the attached Notice regarding “3M Scott SCBA - Fluorinated Organic Chemicals” (Attachment 2); and (iv) the attached Notice regarding “3M Personal Safety Products that may be used by Fire Service in the United States – Notice regarding Fluorinated Organic Compounds” (Attachment 3).**

This Product Advisory Notice concerns Washington Code, Chapter 70A.400, which states:

- (1) Beginning July 1, 2018, a manufacturer or other person that sells firefighting personal protective equipment to any person, local government, or state agency must provide written notice to the purchaser at the time of sale if the firefighting personal protective equipment contains PFAS chemicals. The written notice must include a statement that the firefighting personal protective equipment contains PFAS chemicals and the reason PFAS chemicals are added to the equipment.
- (2) The manufacturer or person selling firefighting personal protective equipment and the purchaser of the equipment must retain the notice on file for at least three years from the date of the transaction. Upon the request of the department, a person, manufacturer, or purchaser must furnish the notice, or written copies, and associated sales documentation to the department within sixty days.  
See WA. Code. Rev. § 70A.400.030 (2018).

3M has identified certain products that may be subject to this notice requirement but were sold without this notice until November 17, 2022. This includes certain SCBA products and replacement parts listed in **Attachment 1**.

Effective November 17, 2022, 3M began including a notice (“SCBA Notice”) with its SCBA products. Out of an abundance of caution, 3M also began including the SCBA Notice with certain generic replacement parts that may be used with both SCBA and non-SCBA products. A copy of the SCBA Notice is attached as **Attachment 2** and available on 3M’s website.

Starting April 24, 2023 the Notice that is attached as **Attachment 3** has been provided on 3M-controlled sales channels.

**3M requests that distributors forward this notice to all customers who may have purchased or received the impacted products listed on Attachment 1 from July 2018 to November 2022.**

3M continues to review and assess the potential applicability of this notice statute to the products that are subject of this notice.

For additional information about PFAS use in our products, please visit [www.3M.com/PFAS](http://www.3M.com/PFAS).